



## *Superior Court of California*

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### **VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT SELECTS TWO NEW COMMISSIONERS**

The Judges of the Ventura Superior Court have announced the selection of Carol L. Hubner and Matthew Nemerson as the Court's two newest Ventura Superior Court Commissioners.

#### **CAROL L. HUBNER**

Ms. Hubner has served as a Court Commissioner for the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Barbara, since September 2022, presiding over child support cases, custody and visitation matters, restraining orders, unlawful detainer and traffic cases. Prior to this role, she spent over 17 years as Child's Counsel at Kelly & Hubner, LLP, representing children in dependency proceedings and providing legal training to Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). From 2001 to 2005, as Deputy County Counsel for Santa Barbara County, Ms. Hubner advised Child Welfare Services on all areas of dependency law, including adoptions and appellate work. In the initial stages of her career, she worked as a corporate associate at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP where she assisted attorneys with intellectual property cases as needed, and as a Naturalization Attorney with the Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County, representing clients before the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Ms. Hubner graduated from Santa Clara University School of Law (May 1998), where she made the Dean's List each year and where she received awards for her legal research and writing and for having the highest cumulative grade point average in the part-time division. Ms. Hubner is a graduate of Stanford University where she holds Bachelor's (June 1990) and Master's (June 1991) degrees in Spanish Language and Literature.

Ms. Hubner fills the vacancy created by former Commissioner R. Paul Kawai, who was appointed to a judgeship on September 30, 2024. Commissioner Hubner's official start date is Monday, December 9, 2024, and her assignment is to be determined.

#### **MATTHEW NEMERSON**

Mr. Nemerson has been a Public Defender throughout his legal career. He has served as a Felony Attorney for the Ventura County Public Defender's Office since November 2022. From September 2019 through October 2022, he was a Major Crimes Attorney for the Fresno County Public Defender's Office, where in addition to his case work, he presented legal lectures and mentored junior attorneys. Before that role, he served as a Felony Attorney in the same office from June 2015 to September 2019, managing thousands of cases and securing notable trial victories. He began his career with the Fresno County Public Defender Office as a Misdemeanor Attorney in October 2014, where he managed a large caseload and negotiated plea arrangements for his clients. He started his career as an Extra Help Attorney with the Ventura County Public Defender, handling jury trials and suppression hearings, during

the summer of 2014. In January 2020, he was certified as a criminal law specialist by the California State Bar Association.

Mr. Nemerson graduated from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law (May 2013) where he made the Dean's List and won awards in agency relationships and criminal law. Mr. Nemerson is a graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles, with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (June 2009).

Mr. Nemerson will fill the vacancy created by Commissioner Julia Snyder, who was elected to fill the seat of the Honorable Henry J. Walsh, who is retiring when his term expires on January 7, 2025. Commissioner Nemerson's official start date will be Tuesday, January 7, 2025, and his assignment is to be determined.

Superior Court Commissioners hear matters including, but not limited to: Family Law, Child Support, Domestic Violence, Civil Harassment, Traffic, Criminal and Small Claims. They are required to have been admitted to practice by the California State Bar for at least ten years and they serve at the pleasure of the Presiding Judge.

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